

## The French Broad Hustler

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Citizens and tax payers of Henderson county. What do you think of it? \$12,000 in script and a special tax levy in addition thereto for the purpose of pulling the county administration out of a hole. What is to become of we mortals anyway?

Taxes! taxes!! taxes!!! Will there never be an end to such extortion from the citizens of Henderson county, with so little beneficial results therefrom? Still it was said before the election that the county administration had been slandered and some people believed it, so their actions at the polls indicated.

Gentlemen of the General Assembly, put aside your petty jealousies and give the people something tangible on the rate question. Every representative cannot make himself famous during one short session, but there is a possibility for some to render themselves infamous along certain lines, if their present course is persisted in. What the people want is actual service and not demagoguery.

The newspapers of the state "are speaking right out in the meeting" upon the proposed infringement upon their right to execute contracts with transportation companies, by certain members of the present legislature, who, without reason, or excuse are seeking to deprive the editors of said right accorded to them by the General Assembly of 1905. Right, brothers, score 'em again.

Even though the legislature should permit the commissioners of Henderson county to issue \$12,000 in county script and levy, besides a special tax, for the purpose of liquidating the floating debt, it does not necessarily follow that the scheme is approved by that body. It is "up to" the county administration whether this proposed additional burden shall be imposed upon the people. From a financial standpoint, Henderson county appears to be in a critical condition, for which the ring administration is wholly responsible and there is "no ifs" or "ands" about it."

### RALEIGH LETTER,

Hustler Bureau  
Supreme Court Building  
Raleigh, Feb. 4  
(Staff Correspondence.)

W. A. Smith, esq., of Hendersonville, was here last Friday and appeared before the joint committee on corporations in the interest of The Lake, Land and Power company charter, the provisions of which are considered sweeping in character. Mr. Smith was given a respectful hearing and with the assistance of Senators Ballenger and Breese succeeded in getting what his people asked for. The bill has passed the senate and goes to the House for concurrence. It is not likely to encounter opposition there, since it meets with the approval of the House committee, who were present at the hearing on Friday morning. In his speech before the committee Mr. Smith graphically depicted the future development of Hendersonville and declared that the consummation of the lake scheme proposed would make it the greatest resort town on the American continent, if not in the world. He also appeared before finance committee and urged the passage of the bill providing for a special tax levy in Henderson county, reference to which was made by the writer in this correspondence last week. Mr. Smith contends that conditions are such as to warrant the abso-

lute necessity of this measure in order to save the county from financial embarrassment. Taking this view of the matter, the Legislature will pass the bill in some shape and put the matter "up to" our county commissioners.

There is a good deal of talk here about the introduction of so many "radical" measures but be it said to the credit of conservative heads nothing has gone through that is calculated to prove injurious to any interest in the State. The democratic party is pledged to certain reforms and its representatives in the General Assembly are in duty bound to respect those pledges. A few extremists are discovered in every deliberative body and this Legislature is no exception to the rule. However, statements as to the number have been exaggerated and when the smoke of the battle has cleared away it will be seen that the interests of the commonwealth was in safe hands and shall so remain. About the most objectionable measure so far enacted into law at this session is the bill passed on Friday permitting a wife to obtain a divorce after having been separated from her husband for a term of ten years, provided she has no children, and even this bill had a close call in the Senate, especially after the fact became apparent that it was intended for the relief of a special case.

Railroad matters are still engaging the attention of legislators, especially members of the committees on public service corporation, more than anything else. Numbers of bills providing for reforms in the freight and passenger service have been introduced, but no definite conclusion will be reached until all possible information is obtained bearing upon these questions. High officials from all the great railway systems having interests in the State have had their inning before the joint committee of the two houses and each of them maintain that any reduction in passenger rates would inure to their positive injury; that their credit would be impaired and needed improvements now in progress and under contemplation in the service seriously retarded. It is their business to prevent any reduction if they can but the prevailing sentiment warrants the suggestion that a rate bill will be passed, based possibly upon the earning capacity per mile of equipment. This, it is claimed, would prevent any hardships upon the smaller roads now in operation and those that may hereafter be constructed. The popular rate for passengers appears to be 2-1-4 and 2-3-4 based as already stated, upon the earning capacity per mile.

Representative Preston, of Mecklenburg, and Senator Redwine, of Union have introduced a bill providing for the establishment of a reformatory for youthful criminals and many friends of the movement have been given a hearing. A number of enthusiastic addresses were made before the committee recently, the principal argument being made by Mrs. Robert D. Johnston, of Alabama, who has been interested in similar work for a number of years, and who is president of the board of trustees of the reformatory of her state. She made an eloquent and convincing address declaring that such an institution to be the greatest heritage a State could have. Mrs. Johnston related two instances where reformatory boys had become governors of great states and urged North Carolina's representatives in the present General Assembly to support the proposition under consideration and thus assist in reclaiming the youth of the country. Several prominent gentlemen present at the meeting made strong speeches in support of the movement, but no definite action was taken, other than to appoint a special committee composed of three members from each house

who are to take the matter under advisement and prepare another bill embodying the main features of the two presented for the consideration of the joint committee at a later meeting. It is not generally believed that the sentiment favorable to the establishment of a reformatory is strong enough to secure its establishment by this Legislature.

Local temperance measures are coming in for right much attention in the House of Representatives, where most all of the liquor legislation originates, and a number of spirited discussions have occurred before the committee on liquor traffic. This committee appears to be strongly inclined to prohibition and the House has been respecting its conclusions without exception, giving open saloons and dispensaries, in a number of places, "the high bounce." The west is coming in for its share of this class of legislation. The saloons must go out of Morganton before the first of July and the committee has given a favorable report on the bill to abolish the dispensary in Marshall. It is also said that Senator Wood has an evil eye on the saloons of his town, Marion, and proposes to try his hand upon the question of prohibition for McDowell county. And then there is talk of closing the dispensary in Wayneville by a special act.

A joint canvass of the democrats of the House and Senate will be held next Thursday night to consider the bill of Winborne extending the action of the grandfather clause. There is said to be considerable division. Some want the time extended to 1918, some to 1914, some to 1912, and others want no extension at all.

### MR. SMITH IN RALEIGH.

Talks About The Great Scheme For Hendersonville's Big Lake.

(News & Observer.)

The Senate Committee on Corporations yesterday gave a hearing to the bill chartering the company that proposes to make a lake and magnificent boulevard in and near Hendersonville. W. A. Smith, Esq., who represents the company was heard. The charter desired grants the company the right to condemn land. After some discussion, the committee adjourned and the matter will be heard by the joint Senate and House Committee. The question the committee desired to hear Mr. Smith upon was the granting of the right of eminent domain for the purpose. The plan is a magnificent one. The delectable perfection of scenery of Western North Carolina is the absence of lakes and other large bodies of water. The Ochlewah, familiarly called Mud Creek, at Hendersonville, will provide abundant water and will solve the question of the drainage of that Creek that has been troubling Hendersonville. It is proposed that the lake shall cover 1,448 acres of land. Options have been obtained on ninety per cent of the land needed and will be obtained on 95 per cent. The right to condemn will effect a very small portion of the land needed. In addition to the lake a boulevard thirty-eight miles in length is to be constructed, an electric railroad that will give street car service in Hendersonville also is to be built, and the company will have 1,000 horse power to be utilized.

I was talking with Mr. Smith about the greatness of the idea last night. He is enthusiastic and believes that this addition will make Hendersonville the centre of the most beautiful and attractive summer resort in America. Last summer Hendersonville had an average of 5,000 visitors for four months. Its capacity was taxed. Mr. Smith believes the number will be increased many fold when the lake and boulevard are finished. "We have the driest atmosphere and the coolest place in the mountains," he said, "and need only this fine body of water and the boulevard and other improvements under way to make Hendersonville an unrivalled summer resort."

[The committee unanimously reported the bill favorably—Editor]

Willie wailed and Winnie wheezed while wintry winds whined weirdly. Willie wriggled while Winnie wheezed wretchedly. Windom whispers, winter winds work wheezes. Wherefore we write, "Use Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup." Nothing else so good. Sold by F. V. Hunter.

### D. W. Hutcheson.

A falling tree has caused a dark shadow to fall over one home in Hoopers Creek Township. D. W. Hutcheson was killed by a tree falling on him, near his home, on the morning of the 26th. Wash was a man. That was known by all his neighbors. He was always ready to lend a helping hand to anyone in need, and will be missed in this community. His place will never be filled. He was married to Miss Emmaline Phillips 26 years ago, and his home life was an ideal one, devoted to his wife and family being his strongest characteristic. His wife and six children survive him, and it may be truly said of him that he is gone but not forgotten. May the blessing of our Heavenly Father rest upon each one of his sorrowing family. The funeral services were held at Paty's Chapel, on the 28th, Pastor E. G. Pusey, officiating. FRANK SMITH

### Willow Graded School.

Willow Graded School will close on Feb. 22nd, with appropriate exercises. Under Miss Charlotte Young and Miss Ida Belle Freeman this school has shown marked progress. The enrollment is 92, and the past school year has been very prosperous.

On the morning of the 21st, Rev. Wm. Lunsford, of Asheville, will preach the annual sermon.

In the evening at 7:30, will be held a public debate.

Hon. J. J. Britt, of Asheville, will deliver an address on the morning of the 22nd, at 11 o'clock.

The primary department will hold their exercises in the afternoon of the 21st, and they promise to be very interesting.

The evening of the 22nd, at 7:30, will witness the school entertainment.

Friends of the school and the public generally are urged to attend these exercises.

### Life And Death.

What is life? What is death?  
I do not know.  
But I know the great Omnipotence,  
Will it do so.

The two great mysteries  
I do not understand.  
But I know life and death obey  
The Same Command.

When God Commanded "Life,"  
It was so.  
When God Commands "Death,"  
I must go.

What is life? What is death?  
No one can tell  
But I believe sometime, somewhere,  
we'll find  
That all is well.

Written for the Hustler by James Walker Heatherly.

### Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas our Heavenly Father has seen fit to remove from us our beloved sister, Mollie Wright, on January 29th 1907.

Resolved, 1st. That Ebenezer Church of which our sister was a devoted member for five years, has sustained a great loss.

Resolved, 2nd. That while we mourn for the absent ones, we rejoice that she was so ready for the Masters call, and so willing to meet face to face her Lord and Saviour.

Resolved, 3rd. That we earnestly commend to all the example of the beautiful life she lived. She was the efficient teacher of our infant class. Always prompt and faithful, both in Sunday school and church work. She was a devoted daughter, a true and loving sister, a kind friend and neighbor.

No one can say aught but good of her life.

Resolved, 4th. That these resolutions be recorded on our church minutes, also a copy be sent to the family and to the newspapers for publication.

"Servant of God, well done.  
Rest from thy loved employ.  
The battle fought, the victory won,  
Enter thy Masters joy."

GEO. WHARTON  
T. J. SHIPMAN  
J. A. FRAZIER  
J. B. GUICE  
Committee

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